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Hongkong, 25th, Jan. 1923.

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H. G. Simms, Esq.,

c/o Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

SHANGHAI.

My dear Simms,

Many thanks for your letter of the 10th instant in re. the erection of a broadcasting station on the Dollar Building in Shanghai. I can confirm that the "China Press" are assisting in the enterprise. You know, of course, that the "China Press" was purchased by the Sun Yat Sen interests.

All Sun Yat Sen's machinations in the South have been directed against the British, and his anti-British propaganda is wellknown.

My information was to the effect that in conjunction with some Americans, the broadcasting station was to be used in Shanghai by Sun to continue his anti-British propaganda in the North. It is just conceivable, since the Doctor is now apparently without funds, that he may try to make friends with the British for the time being, but his tendencies are wellknown. In this connection, I send you a photograph of a letter written by Sun's secretary to one of the trade unions here, which would clearly indicate that we suspected all along that in the event of his returning to Canton, he would foster, or try to foster a general strike. It appears from information received that at the moment he hesitates to come to Canton, although the Consul-General in Canton has been applied to, to arrange for the "Wing Foong" to proceed to Hongkong to bring up Sun. There is, therefore, a probability that sooner or later, the Doctor will attempt a landing in Canton. We are not in the least interested in the politics of China, but both Hongkong & Shanghai are very much interested

in the strike question, and I therefore give you this information which can be used among the British Members of the Council if thought by yourself desirable.

Yours sincerely,

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Translation of Photograph of Letter.

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To the Managers of Labour Organizations in  
Canton, Hongkong and Macao, c/o Dear Siang Jung (蔣介石),

When the traitor raised the standard of rebellion, I, Yung (one of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's pseudonyms) had to take refuge in Shanghai. Since then the traitor, Chen (陳炯明) has been unrelenting in his efforts to destroy the accomplishments of my Constitutional policy and has oppressed labour. The officials of Hongkong and Macao, actuated by the same aims, dissolved labour organizations for trifling reasons. According to statements of representatives of labour unions who have come to Shanghai, cases in which the traitor and the officials of Hongkong and Macao cruelly illtreated the labourers are so numerous that they cannot be counted. The request of the labour organizations that I, Yung, support a general strike which they intend to declare, deserves sympathy. However the time is not opportune for such action. The rebels still occupy the city of Canton, and consequently promoters of a strike there at the present time would be running a very great risk. The Righteous armies from the East and West will soon advance together to attack traitor Chen and the rebels will soon be obliged to forfeit their lives. As their hour of reckoning is drawing near, I hope you will be patient. As regards the request of the representatives to open the Hung Poo Kong (香港) Harbour and to abolish the present harbour, I have been considering this idea for a long time, I have now sent Mr. Liao (廖仲愷) to the South to take charge of affairs there. I shall do my best to give every possible assistance when I return to the South.

Stamp of the Secretariat.

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THE CHINA PRESS, SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 1923

## DR. SUN YAT-SEN CONGRATULATES CHINA PRESS RADIO

Southern Leader Delighted  
With Innovation—Predicts  
Great Educational Value

Dr. Sun Yat-sen, on the eve of his departure for Canton, to resume the active leadership of the Constitutional cause, yesterday congratulated THE CHINA Press and the Radio Corporation of China on the introduction of the radio to China and expressed his utmost confidence that it would prove a success in every way and would greatly assist in spreading the light in China.

"I was especially gratified that my manifesto, which was made public in THE CHINA Press this morning, should have been broadcasted from THE CHINA Press station on top of the Dollar building," Dr. Sun said.

"It was my earnest hope that every one in China should read or hear my manifesto and the fact that it was broadcasted and heard by hundreds of people with receiving sets—some of them as far away as Tientsin and Hongkong—is a delightful surprise and a great pleasure. We who are working for the reunification of this great country of ours welcome such forward steps as the radio. It will not only closely link China orally with the rest of the world, but it will greatly assist in knitting the various cities and provinces of the country much more closely together."

Dr. Sun's manifesto, together with the information that he was leaving for Canton on Saturday—news that a large portion of China has been awaiting to hear—was broadcasted from THE CHINA PRESS-Radio Corporation of China broadcasting station on Thursday night with other news, bulletins from China and other parts of the world. News is broadcasted every night.

C. I. D.  
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THE CHINA PRESS. TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1923

Radio Corporation of China

**NOTICE**

The public is hereby notified that the only persons authorised to sign for the above company are the undersigned. No contracts, receipts or other documents are valid unless thus signed.

E. G. OSBORN  
B. C. R. DEATON (absent)  
K. L. TSANG.

MEMO.

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Shanghai. 5. 1. 2. 3.

From

The North China Insurance Company, Ltd.

My dear Mr. Green.  
Many thanks for  
sight of file which  
I return herewith.  
I have passed on  
the information to  
Mr. de.

Yours sincerely,  
F. G. S.

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# Shanghai Municipal Police.

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CENTRAL

Station.

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**REPORT ON** Plans for the Erection of Broadcasting Station  
in Shanghai.

Made by D. I. Givens

Forwarded by Director of Criminal Intelligence

Sir,

Enquiries made regarding attached confirm the information that Mr. E. G. Osborne, who is manager of the Radio Corporation of China, is making arrangements with Harold Dollar for the erection of a broadcasting station on the Dollar Building in Shanghai, and there is reason to believe that the owners and employees of the China Press are assisting the enterprise. No corroboration can however be obtained of the statement that the station will be used by Dr. Sun Yat Sen for the diffusion of anti-British propaganda. E. G. Osborne is living in the Astor House. The directors of the China Press consist of: Messrs Hugo Reiss, Stirling Fessenden, Chu Pao San, Harold Dollar, Chang Nieh Yun and C. L. Seitz. Both Chu Pao San and Chang Nieh Yun are probably pro-British.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*D. I. Givens*  
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D. C. I.

## Memorandum.

Shanghai, 5/1/23

FROM

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

Telephone No. 730.

To

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my dear Mr. Gurn.

I enclos. a letter from montague  
I do. I would be glad to have your  
views on it to enable me to reply.

Yours sincerely

H. Gurn. 12/1/23

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HONGKONG, 28th Dec. 1922.

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

H. G. Simms, Esq.

c/o Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

S H A N G H A I.

My dear Simms,

It has come to my notice through a Mr. W.V.Curtis here that a man of the name of Osborn of Shanghai, an electrical engineer, is in treaty with Harold Dollar to erect a broadcasting station on the Dollar Building in Shanghai. Harold Dollar, as you know, is mixed up with Hugo Reiss and one named Seitz, and they are in turn mixed up with the "China Press" and Sun Yat-sen; the object of the erection of this station is, I understand, to enable Sun Yat-sen to broadcast propaganda which may be relied upon to be anti-British.

I thought this information would be useful to you, and therefore pass it on. You can, no doubt, through your myrmidons, obtain the information as required.

Yours sincerely,

C. I. D.  
O. REC'D.  
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THE NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS. THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1922.

"THE CHINA PRESS"

A New Board of Directors

The share-holdings of the Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., in the China Press, Inc., have been acquired by a local group of financial interests. By reason of this change, the former board of directors have retired and are replaced by the following:—  
Messrs. Hugo Reiss, Stirling Fessenden, C. M. Pao-san, Harold Dolinar, Chang Nich-yun and C. L. Seitz.